IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANTONY DOMINIC

SATURDAY, THE 1ST DECEMBER 2007 / 10TH AGRAHAYANA 1929

WP(C).No. 33723 of 2007(M)

PETITIONER:

P.M.ABDUL SHEREEF, AGED 48 YEARS,
S/O.MOHAMMED, PAMBRA HOUSE, ERUMAPETTY,
TALAPPILLY TALUK, THRISSUR DISTRICT, NOW AT
SHARJAH, U.A.E., REPRESENTED BY HIS POWER OF
ATTORNEY HOLDER YOUSAF, S/O.MOHAMMED, PAMBRA HOUSE
ERUMAPPETTY, TALAPPILLY TALUK, THRISSUR DISTRICT.

BY ADV. SMT.R.PADMAKUMARI

RESPONDENT:

THE REGIONAL PASSPORT OFFICER,
REGIONAL PASSPORT OFFICE,
PANAMPILLY NAGAR, COCHIN.

BY ADV. SRI.BABU KARUKAPADATH ADDL.ACGSC

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 01/12/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

ANTONY DOMINIC, J

W.P.(C).33723/2007

Dated this the 1st day of December, 2007

JUDGMENT

Writ petition has been filed praying for a direction to the respondent to delete the name of his ex-wife from his passport and to include the name of his present wife. In the statement filed on behalf of the respondent it is stated that on receipt of Ext.P4 application from the petitioner, it was found that the petitioner is living in Dubai and that the passport he holds was also issued by the Consulate General of India, Dubai. According to the respondent, the passport authority in terms of Section 2(c) of the Passport Act is the Consulate General of India at Dubai and it is that authority who is competent to consider the request.

Therefore, for the relief sought for in this writ petition, petitioner has to approach the Passport Authority, viz, Consulate General of India, at Dubai.

With liberty to the petitioner to approach the

Consulate General of India, Dubai, for the relief sought for, this Writ Petition is closed.

ANTONY DOMINIC
Judge

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